

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2249 - HB 3070

February 7, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Permits the district attorney general in a trial for any sex offense to admit evidence and to cross-examine the defendant and defense witnesses regarding specific instances of charged or uncharged sex crimes, wrongs or acts that occurred before, after or in between the alleged offenses to show the defendant's predisposition to commit the alleged offense. Gives district attorney general sole discretion to join two or more charging instruments for sex crimes into one trial and disallows the defendant or the court any discretion in severing charges.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,475,600/Incarceration*

Assumes multiple charges will result in elevated sentences for approximately 10% of an estimated 463 sex offenders committing Class A through Class E felonies.

**Section 9-6-119, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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